



US Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM)
Julia Taft Fund for Refugees
FY 2023

The US Embassy in Addis Ababa, under the auspices of the Office of the Regional Refugee Coordinator and the Community Grants Program Office, is pleased to announce the availability of a funding opportunity through the **2023 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees**.

What is the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees?

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees (also known as the Ambassador's Refugee Fund) is an initiative by the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM) to respond to critical unmet needs of refugees. Created in 2000, the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees supports projects that fill gaps in refugee services not already being addressed by other organizations and that can be filled locally. Successful projects are those that are not being addressed by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), other international organizations, or non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that are already receiving USG funding.

NOTE: This notice is subject to availability of funding.

What types of projects in Ethiopia have been funded through the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees in the past?

Past grant recipients have implemented projects focused on increasing food security and livelihood opportunities; renovating facilities for the reception of children and adolescent refugees first arriving in Ethiopia; developing livelihoods and protecting the environment among pastoralist refugees; and constructing a multipurpose women's center for counseling, training, and community activities.

Program Focus of the 2023 Julia Taft Fund for Refugees

While the Julia Taft Fund is open for applicants to propose any project that could best serve refugees in their region, there is particular interest in programming that addresses gender-based violence and/or provides mental health and psychosocial support to urban refugee populations in and around Addis Ababa. Additionally, the Embassy seeks to partner with local organizations to support equal access to protection, assistance, and other solutions for refugees, who may experience particular vulnerabilities, such as persons with disabilities or

older persons, or women and girls. Note that all proposals are required to have at least 50% of the beneficiaries be refugees, asylum-seekers, refugee returnees, or stateless persons.

Who is Eligible to apply?

The Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is limited to registered non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with at least 1-2 years of experience working in Ethiopia. Preference will be given to local NGOs and CSOs.

Note that the Julia Taft Fund for Refugees is meant to cover a one-time need and will not support a program for more than one year. The 12-month performance period will begin July 2023.

How can an organization apply for funding? NGOs are invited to submit a brief description of their proposed projects by **January 10, 2023**, via email or through the post. Please send completed applications to:

Community Grants Program Office
U.S. Embassy
P.O. Box 1014,
Addis Ababa
Tel. (Office): 0111-30-65-33 / 0111-30-60-94
Fax: 0111-24-24-31
E-mail: AddisCommunityGrants@state.gov

Please note the following guidelines when preparing proposals:

Project budgets cannot exceed \$25,000 USD.

Proposals are due by January 10, 2023, should be no longer than three-pages in length and should include the following:

- Name of organization along with current funding supports
- Official representative of the organization (Name of official signatory and contact details)
- Point of contact information for the application (Name, Tel., & E-mail)
- Project title
- Project location
- The refugee population to be served
- Number of direct project beneficiaries
- Statement of need (max. 200 words)
- Project description (how the project will be carried out—max 300 words)
- Project Goals and Objectives (measurable)

- Project Budget (major expenditures with budget breakdown **all in USD**) including the amount that your organization will be contributing toward the project.
- Code of Conduct as a separate attachment*

***All proposal submissions must include a copy of the NGO's code of conduct, which must be consistent with the UN's Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) recommendations on the prevention of sexual abuse and exploitation. Any proposal without a code of conduct will be ineligible for funding.** Organizations must be registered in SAM.gov and able to provide a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI). It is advisable for organizations to register early and obtain their UEI number while preparing their applications.

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